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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated April 25, 2006. Note that this paper consists of 14 pages total.

No fee is believed to be required for entry of this paper.

Please charge any fee that may be required for entry of any paper in this application to the Deposit Account 50-2263. This is a general authorization for this application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.